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**Title of Application:**

**THIN FILM MAGNETIC HEAD AND  
METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME**

**Transmitted with the patent application are the following:**

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| <u>2</u>  | Page(s) | Transmittal form (and one copy)   |
| <u>49</u> | Page(s) | Specification (41), Claims (7), Abstract (1)  |
| <u>28</u> | Page(s) | Formal drawings   |
| <u>2</u>  | Page(s) | Declaration and Power of Attorney (unsigned)  |
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| —         | Page(s) | Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) and PTO-1449 (copies of references not included in page count) |
| —         | Page(s) | Preliminary Amendment   |
| —         | Page(s) | Statement of Related Applications   |
| <u>67</u> | Page(s) | Certified Copy of JP2003-096742 Filed March 31, 2003 (2003.03.31).                                    |

This application is a — Continuation/Continuation-In-Part/Divisional of prior application Serial No. —, filed —.

**Fee calculation for large entity:**

|                                 | No. Filed | Allowed | No. Extra | Rate              | Fee      |
|---------------------------------|-----------|---------|-----------|-------------------|----------|
| <b>Basic Fee</b>                |           |         |           |                   | \$770.00 |
| <b>Total Claims</b>             | 13        | -20     | 0         | 18.00             |          |
| <b>Independent Claims</b>       | 4         | -3      | 1         | 86.00             | 86.00    |
| <b>Multiple Dependent Claim</b> |           |         |           | +\$290.00         |          |
|                                 |           |         |           | <b>Assignment</b> |          |
|                                 |           |         |           | <b>Total</b>      | \$856.00 |

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